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In re Application of NAUSS, et al. Application No. 09/013,077 Filed: January 26, 1998 For: MODEL FOR TESTING IMMUNOGENCITY OF PEPTIDES

DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT

Papers filed on August 9, 2001 in response to a "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" mailed on June 26, 2001 included a Declaration signed by a previously non-signing inventor in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the <u>joinder</u> of the inventor, further consideration under Rule 1.47(a) is not necessary and the petition is considered to be moot. This application does <u>not</u> have any Rule 1.47 status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need <u>not</u> be returned to this Office for any further consideration under Rule 1.47(a).

This application is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1618 for further processing.

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